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**Mail Stop Patent Application**  
Commissioner for Patents  
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Sir:

As authorized by the inventor(s), transmitted herewith for filing is a continuation-in-part application of Appl. No. 10/213,967 filed on August 7, 2002, and claims the benefit, under 35 U.S.C Section 119(e), of co-pending Provisional Application No. 60/478,914, filed June 16, 2003.

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For: OFFSHORE PLATFORM WITH VERTICALLY-RESTRAINED BUOY  
AND WELL DECK

Enclosed are:

- ☒ A specification consisting of twenty (20) pages
- ☒ Nine (9) sheet(s) of formal drawings
- ☒ Unexecuted Declaration
- ☐ Preliminary Amendment
- ☐ An assignment of the invention to \_\_\_\_\_
- ☐ Certified copy of \_\_\_\_\_
- ☐ Priority of application No(s). \_\_\_\_\_ filed in \_\_\_\_\_ on \_\_\_\_\_ is claimed under 35 U.S.C. § 119. See attached copy of the Letter claiming priority filed in the prior application on \_\_\_\_\_.

- ☐ An Information Disclosure Statement and PTO-1449 form(s) are attached hereto for the Examiner's consideration.
- ☐ Applicant claims small entity status under 37 C.F.R. § 1.27
- ☐ Amend the specification by inserting before the first sentence

--This application is a continuation-in-part of Application No. 10/213,967 filed on August 7, 2002, the entire contents of which are hereby incorporated by reference.--

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--This application is a continuation-in-part of PCT international application No. PCT/\_\_\_\_\_ that has an international filing date of \_\_\_\_\_ that designated the United States, the entire contents of which are hereby incorporated by reference.--

- ☐ An extension of time for \_\_\_\_\_ ( ) month(s) until \_\_\_\_\_, has been submitted in parent Application No. 10/213,967 in order to establish copendency with the present application.
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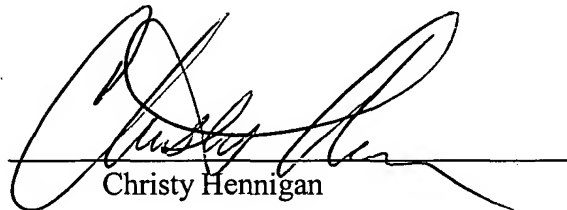
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